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§5–1305.

The effectiveness of efforts to address permanency and stability in the living situations of children in the custody of a local department, or a placement agency, shall be measured by:

(1) the percentage of children who exit foster care within time periods consistent with federal national standards with a breakdown by each standard;

(2) the percentage of children with more than two out-of-home placements during a report year;

(3) the percentage of children in the custody of a local department, or a placement agency, who have siblings living in different placements;

(4) the percentage of children who exit foster care and are:

(i) reunified with a parent or guardian;

(ii) placed with a relative who is awarded custody and guardianship;

(iii) adopted; or

(iv) placed with a nonrelated guardian;

(5) the percentage of children in an out-of-home placement living in:

(i) kinship care homes;

(ii) restricted foster homes;

(iii) regular foster homes;

(iv) treatment foster homes;

(v) group homes;

(vi) residential treatment centers; and

(vii) other specified types of placements;

(6) the number of foster homes and treatment foster homes available for children in the custody of a local department, or a placement agency;

(7) the percentage of foster homes and kinship care homes in which the following have been conducted according to regulation:

(i) required criminal background checks;

(ii) fire and safety inspections;

(iii) health and safety checks;

(iv) reconsiderations, as applicable; and

(v) any other safety measures adopted by regulation;

(8) the number of children who are recommitted to the Department within 12 months of release from commitment to the Department; and

(9) any other indicators adopted by the Secretary under § 5-1302 of this subtitle.

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